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FINANCE
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STD FACILITY TO GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the level of officers of Central Government who are authorised to have STD facilities on official telephonesprovided to them at offices and residences;

(b) whether they are required to maintain register for STD calls only or for the local calls also;

(c) whether the local or STD calls certified by him as Personal/Private can be paid by office from Governmentfunds, if so, to what extent; and

(d) the detailed rules in this regard?

Answer

Minister of State in the Ministry of Finance

(Shri Balasaheb Vikhe Patil)

(a) to (d):
According to the existing instructions, only officers of and above the level of Joint Secretary areentitled to have S.T.D. facility on their official telephones at offices as well as residences. Excess calls over and above the prescribed limit (excluding STD calls made for official purpose and so certified by the officer) and charges for private/personal STD calls are required to be paid by the officer concerned himself. As the STD calls for official purpose are required to be certified by the officers, they are not required tomaintain any register.